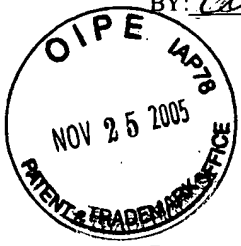


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AMENDMENT

This Amendment responds to the Final Office Action mailed on August 11, 2005, in connection with the above-captioned application. This Amendment is being timely filed in view of the accompanying petition for a one (1) month extension of time, and associated fee, which extends the time for response to the Office Action to and through December 11, 2005.

This Amendment accompanies a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) filed concomitantly herewith.

Please note that the undersigned has changed law firms and has Power of Attorney in the present application by virtue of a Revocation of Power of Attorney and Appointment of New Attorney ("the Revocation") document filed in the Patent Office on October 18, 2005. A courtesy copy of the Revocation is included herewith for the Examiner's convenience.